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Families homeless after fire rips through Haliburton house

by Andrew Milne

Two Haliburton families were driven from their homes shortly before the New Year by a weekend fire.

Cheryl Foyster, Jan Hie and their families were occupying the two units in a duplex on Meadowview Road in Haliburton. The structure caught fire around 10:30 pm December 28.

It's the second fire in less than a year for Hie and daughter Jade. The family was driven out of another Haliburton home last Easter by an electrical fire.

A man neighbours say was Hie's boyfriend, suffered minor injuries from smoke inhalation in last weekend's fire, and was in hospital briefly. Dysart chief Miles Maughan says the man was attempting to remove possessions from the building when the smoke got to him.

Foyster is currently staying with parents, and looking for somewhere to

live.

Said Foyster Saturday, "Everyone has wished us well, and offered to help in whatever way they can. My neighbours down the road have raised \$140 for me. What I really need right now is a home. But everyone has been really wonderful. You can't beat Haliburton for hospitality and genuine concern."

Foyster's two boys, she says, are doing fine. They were at their grandparents when the fire started.

Foyster was in the building at the time.

"I was actually in the bath," she says. "The girl from upstairs came down, banged on the door and yelled 'fire'... I put my nightgown on and went tearing outside."

Neighbours say the fire appears to have started in the garage on Hie's side of the duplex, and that they heard what sounded like an explosion.

Dysart volunteers were able to confine the blaze to the side of the duplex where it started. "It did go quickly," says Maughan.

Neither the fire department nor the insurance adjusters were able to determine the cause of the fire.

The bungalow belonged to David and Heather Cowan of Tory Hill.

A member of the Dysart Fire Department attempts to quell the fire at a home on Meadowview Road. The December 28 blaze, left two families homeless.

Record number of species of birds spotted during annual Christmas count

by Dennis Barry

The Minden Christmas count reported a record 44 species this year.

Cold temperatures on December 21 probably encouraged birds to visit feeders to replenish their energy reserves. This, along with a mild fall and an excellent response from people reporting birds at their feeders and in their neighbourhoods, was probably the reason for this year's spectacular count. This year's two new species brings to a remarkable 87 the number of kinds of birds seen on Minden Christmas counts over the past 30 years.

Numbers of common goldeneye were low. Perhaps most flew south to Lake Ontario to join the huge flocks gathered there to feed on zebra mussels. Hooded mergansers, on the other

hand, were present in record numbers, thanks to plenty of open water along the Drag River where they could catch fish. Most of these were reported by people who live along the river. The Farrells had a flock of twelve off their waterfront. Warm weather also accounted for a record 25 herring gulls.

Bald eagles have been reported during each of the last three counts, an encouraging sign, especially since three of the five were young birds. A Cooper's hawk making off with a blue jay from Bill Roszell's feeder was only the second recorded in the past thirty years. The first boreal owl ever found on the count was trying to hide from a flock of harassing blue jays near the Irondale general store. A northern hawk owl that had been hunting mice for a week along the valley of the small creek near the South Lake Road and the Highway 35

bypass in Minden could not be found on count day.

Chickadee numbers reported were the lowest in nine years, probably because there is plenty of natural food allowing them to remain scattered throughout wooded areas rather than congregating at feeders. Woodpecker numbers were also down. They tend to be quieter on cold days. The only pileated woodpecker seen was one visiting George Anderson's feeder. What a spectacular bird to see up close! As large as a crow and with a massive bill, it would make short work of a hunk of suet.

Winter wrens have, perhaps, the loudest songs for their size of any bird in Haliburton County. In spring their bubbly songs echo along the valleys of small streams. In winter the only evidence of the presence of those few re-

maining is a subtle scolding from some damp thicket, which is how the one on this year's count was discovered.

Minden has many well-stocked feeders near dense evergreen cover. Father and son team Ron and Doug Tozer made equally exciting discoveries at two feeders along the same street at exactly the same instant. A fox sparrow was the first for the count and a chipping sparrow the second. Fox sparrows are the largest members of the sparrow family sporting beautiful rust and gray streaked plumage. They look somewhat like song sparrows, but are much larger and more colourful. Chipping sparrows are small with rusty caps, clear gray breasts with no spots of streaks and a

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December weather

by Phil Graham

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Average high	.4	32.7
Average low	-4.5	24.0
Average for the month	-2.0	28.4
Average for last December	-9.7	14.5
Highest temperature (Dec. 10)	10.0	50.0
Lowest temperature (Dec. 25)	-18.5	1.3
Rainfall	60.0 mm	2.3 in
Snowfall	41.0 cm	16.0 in
Total precipitation	101.0 mm	3.9 in
Total precip. for December '95	74.0 mm	2.9 in
Snow on ground Dec 31	14.0 cm	5.5 in
Snow on ground last Dec 31	43.0 cm	17 in
Total snowfall Nov 1 to Dec 31	62.0 cm	24 in
Total days with rain or snow	19	
Total days mostly sunny	3	
Days with thunderstorms	0	
Days with freezing rain	0	
1cm snow = 1mm rain		

December was a very bleak month, not cold but very dull and cloudy. There were only three mostly sunny days — December 14, 25 and 31. The remainder were either snowing or raining. With all the precipitation there was not much snow accumulation due to the mild temperatures. The average temperature for the month was -2 degrees Celsius (28.4F) much higher than last December, for which it was -9.7 degrees Celsius (14.5F).

Trivia: Full moon was Christmas eve, and hope you noticed it, because this will not happen again for 106 years.

Municipal nominations will be accepted after March 31

Thinking of running for municipal office this year. If you are, there is still lots of time before you can begin filing your nomination papers.

According to the provincial government, municipal electoral nominations will open March 31 rather than January 1 this year.

Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing Al Leach said the delay is to accommodate municipal restructuring, which may

well affect electoral boundaries and which posts will be up for nomination.

For such changes to apply in the next election, they would have to be made by March 31.

Haliburton county local governments have no plans for amalgamation, and it appears most likely the elected posts will be the same as for the previous election.

The elections are set for November 10.

The change is part of the province's Bill 86, which became law December 19.

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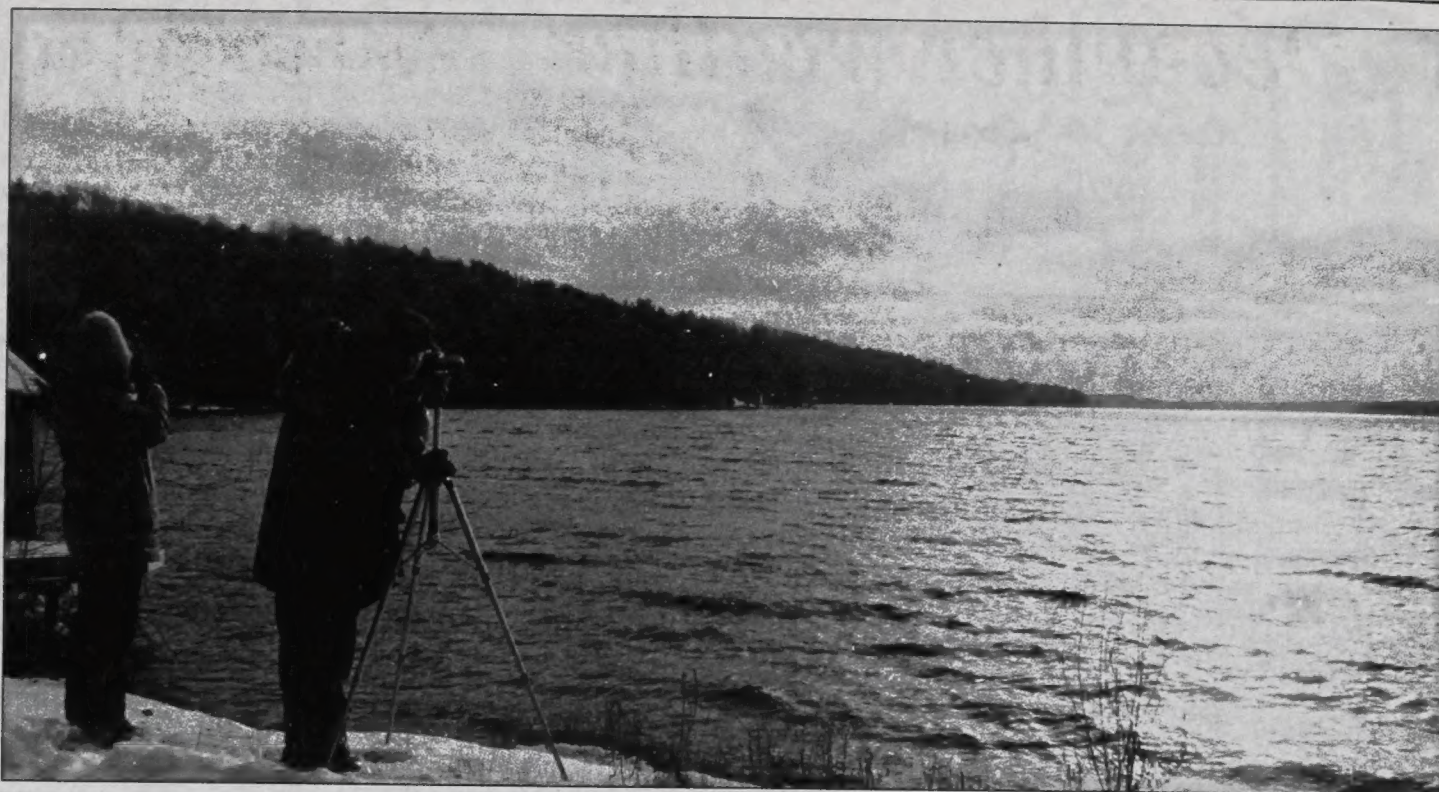
Forty-four species recorded

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black line through each eye. In summer they often nest in evergreen shrubs in yards and gardens. The nest almost always has a lining of horse hair. The tiny eggs are blue with fine rust-coloured spots. In winter most of them migrate south to the southern United States.

Feeder owners have no doubt noticed the lack of evening grosbeaks this winter, although the record number of blue jays managed to eat almost as many sunflower seeds. The 104 evening grosbeaks reported was the lowest in twenty years. They seem to have moved out of the area in mid-fall, perhaps going north to feed on abundant wild food there. Look for their numbers to increase as the winter progresses. In contrast, pine siskin numbers increased dramatically during the two weeks leading up to count day, making them the most abundant finch this winter. Goldfinches were almost as common. Both species will come to feeders with niger seed, but they will eat black sunflower seeds as well, holding them with their feet while they peck them open. Both are smaller than chickadees. Siskins are heavily streaked above and below and greyish in colour. Winter goldfinches are olive green/grey with no streaking underneath. They look like miniature female evening grosbeaks.

Tree sparrows are quite common this year, but are able to find plenty of weed seeds due to the limited snow cover. As the snow gets deeper they may appear at feeders more regularly. They like to eat



Silhouetted by the late winter sun, Dennis Barry and his sister Marg Carney scan the open water of Gull Lake during the annual Christmas bird count, December 21, in the Minden area. The annual census resulted in a record number of bird species being seen in the coverage area.

millet and cracked corn and can be seen on the ground under feeders at dusk after all other birds except cardinals have gone to roost. They have a rusty cap, a

long tail, a pale grey breast with a dark sport and a beak that appears yellowish, especially on the lower mandible.

Redpolls and pine grosbeaks were

completely absent on this year's count. Some may appear later in the winter, but don't expect pine grosbeaks to visit feeders in numbers like last year.

The 1996 tally sheet

Common loon	1	Boreal owl	1	Cedar waxwing*	18
American black duck	2	Belted kingfisher	3	Northern shrike	2
Mallard	48	Downy woodpecker	25	European starling	108
Mallard black cross	1	Hairy woodpecker	47	Northern cardinal	1
Common goldeneye	5	Black belted woodpecker		American tree sparrow	129
Hooded merganser	20	(Dec. 20)	1	Chipping sparrow*	1
Common merganser	26	Pileated woodpecker	1	Fox sparrow	1
Bald eagle	1	Gray Jay	9	Dark-eyed (slate-coloured)	
Sharp-shinned hawk	1	Bluejay	478	junco	69
Red-tailed hawk	1	American crow	18	Snow bunting	90
Ruffed grouse	9	Common raven	224	Purple finch	3
Herring gull	25	Black-capped chickadee	913	House finch	3
Rock dove	78	Red-breasted nuthatch	80	White-winged crossbill	138
Mourning dove	122	White-breasted nuthatch	24	Pine siskin	508
Northern hawk owl* (Dec. 20)	1	Brown creeper	13	American goldfinch	412
		Winter wren	1	Evening grosbeak	104
		Golden-crowned kinglet	11	House sparrow	37

*Rare or unusual species

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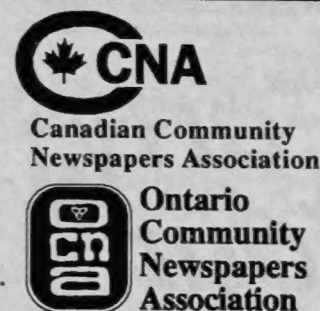
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Arthur Black Editorial

1997: the year of the challenge begins

The challenge of being a municipally-elected representative just got a little tougher. Shortly before Christmas, the provincial government announced the next round of municipal grant reductions. In this area, the cuts will be about 30 percent on average.

While the elected officials were not surprised by the cuts, there were few, if any who indicated it would be easy to work the reduction into their budgets without some impact being felt by the ratepayers. The unspoken "other" option, raising property taxes to cover, perhaps, a portion of the shortfall, was not mentioned. The fact that

1997 will be a municipal election year all but eliminates that option, especially for those members of council who are thinking of seeking another term.

While the municipalities were adept at dealing with last year's cuts, crafting this year's budgets will certainly be a lot more difficult. The fat has been trimmed and many of the municipalities, especially the smaller ones, have already been feeling the pinch. The inevitable result could be a local tax increase or the introduction of new or higher user fees. Whatever the outcome, it is all but assured that the belt-tight-

ening being imposed from Queen's Park will be felt at the local level.

The one bright spot in the equation is that grants to school boards will not see any reductions in 1997. That move provides a little breathing room for the Board of Education.

As the new year begins, with the province still sending out mixed signals on how municipal services, including education, are to be funded, the only thing which is certain is that 1997 will be a challenging time to be a locally-elected politician.

jb

Where exactly is the 'any' key?

Conspiracy theories---donta just love them? It makes life so simple once you realize that the Masons are really a secret society of Extraterrestrials responsible for the assassination of JFK, the Oklahoma bombing, World War Two and jock itch.

The only downside to conspiracy theories is that to swallow them, you have to be a card-carrying cretin with the gullibility of a Gumby doll.

So. You want to hear a conspiracy theory?

Computers. I believe computers are the devil's spawn. An evil plot hatched by interplanetary villains to drive us all stark, staring bonkers. And it's working. I'm certainly a lot loopier than I was in those innocent, pre-Pentium days. If you don't believe me, ask my wife.

On second thought, don't ask her. We're not speaking. She's miffed because I suggested we call our next kid Website.

Or maybe it was the plane trip we took to Winnipeg. I spent the whole flight pecking away on my laptop with my files spread all over her seat.

Inconsiderate, sure--but you can't tell me she was THAT uncomfortable in the overhead luggage compartment.

Yeah, I confess. I am a computer junkie--but that doesn't mean I have to like it.

Doesn't mean I am good at it either. I'm

about as hapless a hack as ever vaporized a working file. But I am learning, byte by byte. And I'm not as dumb as some "newbies".

Such as the guy who called the computer hotline to complain that his computer refused to "read" word processing files from his old diskettes. Were the old diskettes near a sources of heat, asked the troubleshooter. Nope. How about magnets? Nope again. Well, said the troubleshooter, what about the labels on the old diskettes? Were they written in ball pen? Magic Marker?

Neither said the customer. He explained that he had rolled the diskettes right into his old Olivetti to type the labels.

Then there was the customer who couldn't get his computer's "fax" function to work. The technical troubleshooter asked him to describe his attempts to send faxes through his computer.

"Well," said the caller, "I hold the sheet of paper to be faxed in front of the screen and press the SEND key--but nothing happens."

Sometimes the technical trouble shooters have to be half psychiatrists. One customer called up to complain that his computer kept him "bad and an invalid". The technician had to explain that "bad command" wasn't a value judgement and that

the computer really had no way of knowing if the user was an invalid or not.

Then there is this story, a verbatim transcript of a call to a Novell Network technician.

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CALLER: "Yes, it's attached to the front of my computer."

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CALLER: It came with my computer. I don't know anything about a promotion. It just has '4X' printed on it."

And that is when the tech had to, with a straight face, inform the caller that he had been using the load drawer of his CD-ROM drive to hold his coffee cup.

I tell ya, some people. There ought to be an IQ test for prospective computer geeks.

Gotta run now. I'm checking the internet to see if anyone knows how to get Nescafe stains off a CD-ROM drawer.

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2. Jeanne Anthon: the stereo-type buster; a cottager who retired here (cottager owners are powerless in this county), a fine lady with wit and wisdom (no comment needed). Thank You

3. Clayton Cameron: I witnessed him at 11:30 p.m. at a road washout, putting up road closure barriers. By 6:30 p.m. he had a loaded dump truck and loader on site. He has found the ultimate job security; give top value for your pay and be willing to perform 25 hours a day when needed. Thank You.

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5. All of our firefighters: who are over-regulated, under-equipped and do an incredible job. If only our union ambulance attendants could stop dumping their legitimate responsibilities on the firemen. Thank You

6. I regret that I have left out many fine

people due to my lack of knowledge about their special input to our area. Perhaps someone could help fill in the gaps for me.

Jim Batterbee,
Minden.

More thanks

Editor:

We, the board of directors of Family Services, would like to express our appreciation to the people of Haliburton County and the staff and board members of Children's Aid, Kinark, S.A.C., S.I.R.C.H. and the Ministry of Community and Social Services for the concern, time and effort they have all evinced on our behalf in the past. We are looking forward to fulfilling our mandate of service delivery in Haliburton County and will soon be reconvening the transition team, consisting of members of the above agencies, in order to plan a smooth and orderly transition. We will be working with all staff affected to enable them to bring their commitment, enthusiasm and experience to Family Services unimpaired and continue to provide quality service to the public with the least disruption possible.

We look forward to begin fulfilling our

mission statement, "to identify, provide and strengthen support services enabling the children, youth and families of Haliburton County to function at their highest potential".

Stephanie Bain, Elva Bates, Sue Doan, Lon Duncombe, Eleanor Harrison, Vicki Judge, Eric Lilius, Dianne Loucks, Jane Van Nood, Maureen O'Hara, Cathy Reid, Gord Schakelaar and Tamara Wilbee,
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Stanhope council is right to protect public access

Editor:

As I sit here reading *The Times*, my eyes fall on the letter to the editor entitled "Comparing apples and oranges" (December 23), I am reminded of how fortunate we are in Stanhope Township to have someone to watch over where and how everyone builds today.

It seems that years ago people built where they wished, as was the case at Buckslides, on public property, even then a well-used portage and public walking trail.

Our school classes all walked to the river to watch the logs being driven down to Boshkung Lake on their way to the sawmills farther south.

Even in those days everyone knew each side of rivers and lakes could not be purchased, regardless of how long it had been used for private purposes by adjoining land owners. It seems, as time passed, people were bold enough to defy all regulations and think only of themselves, and to build where they wished.

I have spent many hours improving township-owned lands for the enjoyment of the public, and I am very well aware of how important it is to retain such lands. Personally, I am very happy that our present council has seen it is proper to say "enough is enough". I tried to do just that at Buckslides, but I did not get the support I needed or this problem would not have been there today.

I believe that all public lands, especially on rivers ought not be sold, along with concession allowances leading to water on lakes. However, as our council knows, lakefront allowances, in front of private property, have not been needed since good roads have been established.

Sharon Lynch, I am sorry for your children. However, I am happy the Council of Stanhope has taken this stand to retain this and possibly more areas of public property that really belong to the public. I am sure this problem can and will be solved and I would ask for your co-operation, bear-

ing in mind, it is still public property being encroached on.

Elvin Johnson,
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*Andre Lapine a community treasure***Permanent collection is on display again**

by Morris Duff

When painter Andre Lapine died in Minden in 1952, Laura Kirkwood was asked by the undertaker to prepare a meal for the dozen or 15 artists who had travelled from out of town to attend his service. After she had cleaned up, she found a Lapine painting under her coat. "Here is a little something for you," Minden's then undertaker, Frank Welch, told her. That painting of a team of horses pulling a load of cord wood is the focal point on the living room wall of the home where she and her husband, Dick, live. "I couldn't have received anything better," she commented.

Lapine paintings have hung in the National Gallery in Ottawa and the Art Gallery of Ontario in Toronto, as well as in many private galleries and homes. Minden's Agnes Jamieson Gallery owns almost 50 Lapines. Several are on display at the annual Permanent Collection show.

Donald Jones, who for many years wrote a weekly column, *Historical Toronto*, for the *Toronto Daily Star*, devoted an entire column in 1981 to Lapine. He told how almost 1,000 leaders of Toronto's social set, including Lady Eaton, Vincent Massey and Lawren Harris, held a fund raiser in 1934 to pay his hospital bills after he was run over and critically injured by a car.

Jones recounted the incident to show how highly regarded Lapine was in the 1930s by the leaders of Toronto's artistic community, especially by the riding and hunting set.

"I always look forward to seeing these paintings up on our walls," said Ruth Amos, administrator of the Jamieson. "I enjoy looking at them because they are such beautiful paintings." Two of her favourites hang on her office wall. "Some of them are fabulous," Amos adds. "I don't get tired of looking at them. Maybe that's one of the ways of telling a good painting. One can always see something new in it."

According to the *Historical Toronto* column, Lapine, who was born in what is now Latvia, in 1867, was one of Toronto's most successful painters in the 1920s. "He became known as Canada's greatest painter of horses."

According to Ricarda Rogers, who also has a Lapine on her living room wall, Lapine moved to a farm on South Lake Road because he wanted to paint the beauty, especially the lakes and animals. Rogers said that a well known Canadian artist told her Lapine had such a high reputation for painting horses that other artists sometimes hired him to do the horses in their paintings. According to Rogers, Lapine was reasonably wealthy from his art, "but he went downhill when his wife (Gertrudie) died" in 1941.

Dick Kirkwood described Lapine as "destitute" when he died. He lived with Welch, the undertaker,



Laura Kirkwood was the recipient of an Andre Lapine painting in gratitude for her hospitality when a group of painters visited the community for the funeral in the early 1950's.

and whenever he had to pay for anything, he would give that person a painting. "That's why there are so many of his paintings scattered around."

Rogers, who immigrated to Minden from the Netherlands to marry the Canadian soldier she met at the war's end, said that Lapine had married his wife in Holland. "He came quite often to dinner," Rogers said. "He had comical manners." For example, because she was pregnant (with her son Marshall), he would not let her climb up to get things. Instead, he brought his own step ladder over and did the climbing for her.

I have tremendously nice memories of the man," she recalls.

Laura remembers the Lapine funeral, which probably was in the Welch living room. She prepared roast pork then, when she noticed that several of the visiting artists were Jewish, wondered if she was offending them. All ate heartily so she decided there was no problem.

During his Minden days, Lapine was not well known, Dick said. However, about 20 years ago a delegation from Latvia came over to catalogue his art. "He was better known internationally."

Lapine lived his last seven or eight years with Welch, who was left with many of his paintings. They

were given to Minden and form the basis for the town's permanent collection.

Dr. Agnes Jamieson, Minden's greatly loved family doctor, who practised here from early in World War II until 1956, was a close friend and supporter of Lapine. Kirkwood said the artist often hitched a ride on her cutter so he could paint the countryside, especially the horses so common on the farms of those days.

The gallery in Minden was named after Dr. Jamieson. One of the Lapines was donated by her.

In a letter to the *Toronto Star*, Dr. Jamieson said that she first met Lapine in 1935, "still a patient 12 months after his accident." She said that he continued to travel to Parry Sound and Manitoulin Island well into his 80s, in order to paint.

In addition to the National Gallery and the AGO, Lapine's paintings were exhibited in the Canadian Pavilion at the New York World's Fair in 1939, the T. Eaton Fine Art Gallery, Malloney's and the Agnes Etherington Art Centre at Queen's University.

-He died at age 84. Both he and his wife are buried in the Minden Cemetery.



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Atom A Monarchs undefeated in last four games

Minden's OMHA atom Monarchs hockey team went undefeated in four recent games.

Minden 4, Beaverton 4

A game in Beaverton on December 29 went to the wire, with the Monarchs scoring the tying goal with 3:02 remaining in the game to salvage a 4-4 draw.

The match-up was a close one, with neither team getting more than one goal ahead of the opposition.

Beaverton opened the scoring near the middle of the first period.

With three and a half minutes left in the period, Matt Allore notched the equalizer, from Kolt Smith.

The Monarchs carried the momentum into the second frame. Fifty-three seconds after the opening faceoff, Philip Greer put the Monarchs in front 2-1. Smith also set that one up.

Beaverton got back on even terms at the 7:53 mark of the second and went ahead 3-2 with the home team's third goal three minutes later.

It looked like the Monarchs were going to go into the third trailing by a goal, but with 36 seconds left, Evan Kernohan netted Minden's third goal to even it up. Justin Horsley assisted.

Beaverton took the lead again half way through the third. The home team held the lead until Mark Fisher scored with 3:02 left in the game. That goal, which was assisted by Kernohan, gave Minden the tie.

Minden 10, Mariposa 2

The day before, the Monarchs were in Little Britain to take on the Mariposa

team. The host team didn't put up much of a fight, bowing to the Monarchs by a 10-2 score.

Minden jumped to a 3-0 lead in the first period with goals by Evan Kernohan, Philip Greer and Mark Fisher.

Kernohan scored his second of the game, Justin Horsley added one and Greer notched a pair to round out his hat trick in the second, before Mariposa got on the scoreboard. With 59 seconds left in the middle frame, Kevin Walker netted another goal for the Monarchs, giving Minden an 8-1 lead going into the third.

Horsley added two more to the Monarchs in the third to be the second Minden player to record a hat trick in the game.

Mariposa got the last marker of the game, slipping one in one second ahead of the final buzzer.

Horsley had three assists to go with his hat trick and Greer had one helper. Kernohan picked up two assists and single helpers also went to Lance Aggate, Mark Fisher and Kolt Smith.

Minden 8, Port Carling 1

An exhibition game December 21 in

Minden saw the Monarchs thump Port Carling 8-1.

Minden led 7-0 early in the third period. The visitors got their only goal with 2:18 left and Minden rounded out the scoring with six seconds showing on the clock.

Justin Horsley and Evan Kernohan netted two goals apiece, with Mark Fisher, Chad Carpenter, Kolt Smith and Matt Allore adding one each. Carpenter helped the cause with three assists, Horsley had two and single helpers went to Kernohan, Smith, Ryan Vaters and Allore.

Shutout!

Ryan Cole earned the shutout as the OMHA atom Monarchs skated to a 5-0 victory over Mariposa Saturday. Justin Horsley and Philip Greer scored two goals each and Mark Fisher scored one and set up one. Kolt Smith picked up two assists and Evan Kernohan had one helper. In the photo to the right, a shot by Philip Greer beats Mariposa goalie David Scott with 1:05 left in the second period.



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Kountry Double D, Hartwick Construction end 1996 with wins

by Jerry Grozelle

The four teams of the Minden Men's Hockey Association played their last games of 1996 December 30 at the Minden arena. Kountry Double D and Hartwick Construction ended the year on a winning note. Both teams scored seven goals on their way to victory.

KDD 7, Westside 4

Kountry Double D and Westside Jug City played the early game, starting at 8 p.m. The game remained close until the third period when KDD scored the last three goals to grab the win.

Craig Crowe led the KDD scoring with a hat trick and a pair of assists. John Hewson added two goals, with Scott Danilko and Dwayne Warburton notching one apiece. Scott Hamilton helped the winning cause with four assists. Danilko and Tom Miscio chipped in with two helpers each and John Hewson notched one assist.

Jeff Black led the Westside scoring with two goals and one assist. John Teljeur and Craig Phillips were the other marksmen. Jamie Dollo and Sheldon

Stevenson picked up two assists each and Darnell Gilbert, Kent Taylor and Tony Vanlieshout had one apiece.

Hartwick 7, Home 5

Glenn Hall scored a hat trick and assisted on another goal to lead Hartwick Construction to a 7-5 win over Home Hardware. The Hartwick crew got off to a good start, scoring five in a row by the middle of the second period. Home Hardware closed the gap to 5-3, but two goals would be as close as the Home team would get.

Jeff Howe added two goals to the Hartwick tally, with Wyatt Nesbitt and Andrew Burke netting single markers. Burk also had three assists to go with his goal. Jason Stamp picked up four assists, with Ivan Ingram, Tom Bagshaw and Jarrett Campbell helped set up one each.

Scott Nesbitt was the top marksman for Home Hardware with two goals and two assists. Joe Sullivan notched one goal and three assists and single goals also went to Daryl Ward and Clark Craig. John Stephenson helped set up one goal.

Shootout takes toll on atom A team

Starting off with a 2-0 win over Belleville at the Millbrook tournament January 2, the Minden OMHA atom Monarchs waged an uphill battle after that. The second game was a heartbreaker. With the score tied at 6-6 at the end of regulation time, the Beaverton team scored twice in a shootout to win 8-6.

In the consolation game, Minden tangled with the host Millbrook squad. Suffering from the stress of the previous game, the Monarchs gave up a 6-2 decision to their hosts.

Evan Kernohan and Kevin Walker were the snipers for Minden in the first game. Kolt Smith assisted on both goals and Philip Greer helped set up one. Ryan Cole earned the shutout in the Minden net.

The match-up between Minden and Beaverton couldn't have been closer. The first two periods were

even. Minden pulled in front 6-3 with three straight goals in the third. But the Beaverton boys rebounded with three of their own, the last of which was with 1:43 left in the period.

Philip Greer and Justin Horsley scored two each for the Monarchs, while Kolt Smith and Mark Fisher added one apiece. Fisher also had a pair of assists, with single helpers going to Greer, Smith, Evan Kernohan, Kevin Walker and Lance Aggett.

The B division championship game wasn't as close for the Monarchs. They kept pace with Millbrook for two periods, but fell behind in the third, allowing the opposition to score four unanswered goals.

Kernohan and Smith scored the Minden goals. Walker and Fisher picked up one assist each.

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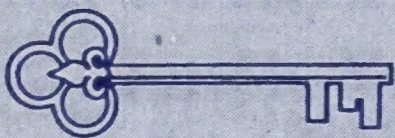
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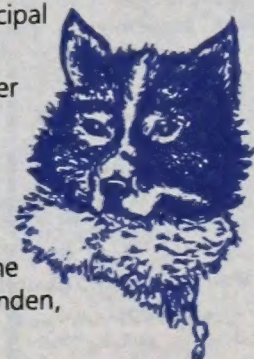
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January 8: Meeting of the Archie Stouffer elementary School School Council, at the school, 7 p.m.

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Tri-County atoms find competition tougher in B group

A move up from the C division to B in early December has been a learning experience for the Minden Tri-County atom Monarchs. The Minden boys have had a few close games, but they are still waiting for their first win.

A game in Minden December 29 was one of the close ones. The visiting Manvers B1 team scored the tie-breaker with 2:50 remaining in the third period to grab a 3-2 in. The Monarchs had battled back from a 2-0 deficit.

Jeremy Upton scored both of the Minden goals. Dave Williams picked up an assist on one of those markers.

The Manvers B2 team downed the Monarchs 7-1 the day before in Manvers. Williams was the lone Marksman for Minden. Dave Petch assisted.

Little Britain blanked Minden 3-0 on December 14 and the Manvers B1 squad picked up an 8-2 win on December 8. Cory Simms and Ryan Vaters were the sharpshooters for the Monarchs in that game. Assists went to Vaters and Williams.

Back on December 1, the Monarchs skated to a 4-4 draw against the Wilberforce Rockets. Minden battled back from a 3-1 deficit, scoring the last goal with eight seconds left in the game.

Gavin Swan, Mitchel Clarkson, Matt Reil and Terry Bannon were the Wilberforce snipers.

Minden's marksmen were David Williams and Shawn Chapman with two goals apiece. Jeremy Upton, Ryan Vaters and Williams each had one assist.

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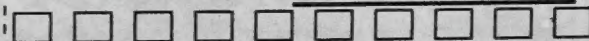
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Adjustments made to lake trout fishing regulations

Restrictions lifted on 15 Haliburton County lakes

Some adjustments have been made to the lake trout fishing regulations. These changes came into effect on January 1, 1997. Natural Resources Minister Chris Hodgson announced the changes December 27.

In the Minden/Haliburton area the following 15 lakes have been added to the list of lakes with regular lake trout seasons (January 1 to September 30 each year). There are no slot sizes on these lakes, two lines are allowed through the ice and live bait-fish may be used:

Basshaunt, Guilford Township
Bitter, Guilford Township
Canning, Minden Township
Fortescue, Cavendish Township
Goodwin, Havelock Township
Little Bob, Lutterworth Township
Percy, Harburn Township
Buckskin, Monmouth Township
Concession, Galway Township
Fourcorner, Dudley Township
Lipsy, Guilford Township
Loon, Dudley Township
Maple, Stanhope Township
Pencil, Cavendish Township
South Anson, Anson Township

The reproductive status of these lakes is uncertain. Studies will be conducted on these lakes within the next couple of years to determine their status and the regulations will be adjusted if necessary.

The slot size on Halls Lake in Stanhope Township has been changed to the large slot, which is 40

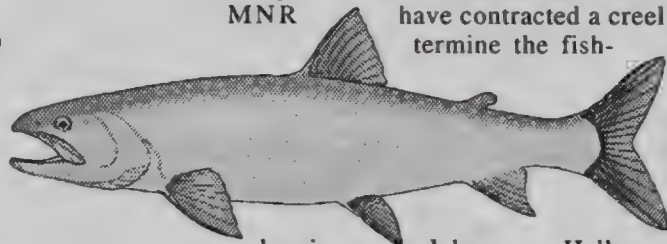
centimetres to 55 centimetres (16 to 22 inches). All lake trout falling within that slot size must be released. As before, only one line may be used through the ice.

MacDonald and Clean Lakes in Havelock Township and Little Clean Lake and Eyre Lake in Eyre Township have been changed to a maximum size limit of 15 inches, which means that all lake trout over 15 inches long must be released. Anglers are restricted to one line while ice fishing.

All other restrictions put in place in January of 1996, including slot sizes on some lakes and closure on others, still apply.

Creel census

The Minden area office and the Haliburton Highlands Fisheries Assessment Unit of the MNR have contracted a creel study to determine the fish-



lowing lakes: Halls, Boshkung, Mountain, Twelve Mile, MacDonald, Clean, Little Clean and Eyre for the 1997 ice fishing season. Ministry officials ask for anglers' co-operation in providing information to the creel census interviewers. The information provided will help to better manage the local lake trout fishery.

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High average: Marlene Robinson 213; Scott Moore 227

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High single (handicap): Marlene Robinson 279; Daryl Moore 305

High triple: Marlene Robinson 658; Scott Moore 677

High triple (handicap): Marlene Robinson 724; Daryl Moore 727

Thursday Afternoon Seniors League

(January 2)

High average: Carolyn Beer 173; Ray Lymer 192

High single: Maxine Cross 250; Wayne Beer 241

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High triple: Maxine Cross 634; George Minors 614

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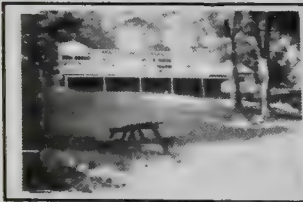


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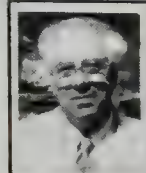
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Arcadia Lodge marks its centennial year

As 1997 began, it marked the end of a special celebration for the Arcadia Masonic Lodge, Number 440, in Minden.

Last year marked the one hundredth anniversary of the Minden branch of this fraternal order. No other service organization has reached its centennial.

The Arcadia Lodge was established in July 1896 at the forty-first communication of the Grand Lodge, A.F. & A. M. of Canada, held in Belleville. The official date of the dispensation establishing the lodge was July 11 of that year.

Interestingly, the lodge was initially called Algonquin. However, a short time later it was discovered that another lodge, located in Emsdale Ontario, had been formed and had adopted the name Algonquin. Since the Emsdale Lodge, Number 434, predated the Minden lodge, the local group agreed to relinquish its name and adopted Arcadia. The reason for the selection of the name Arcadia is lost in the mists of time. Suffice to say it was adopted in August 6 1897 and has been associated with the Minden lodge since then.

The first meeting of the Minden Lodge was held August 14, 1896 under the leadership of Worshipful

Master Benjamin Freer, a school inspector from Northern Light Lodge in Kincardine. The first Senior Warden was innkeeper Joseph Roy with Baldwin Mumm, a farmer, serving as the Junior Warden. Other charter members included Edward Fitzgerald, a bookkeeper from Fenelon Falls, William McKelvey, Donald J. Hartle and Joseph Watson, all storekeepers.

During the early years of the lodge many new members were welcomed and degrees were conferred on existing members. As an historical sketch of the Lodge relates, "Reports of the various Deputy District Grand Masters speak well of the work of the lodge and the friendliness of the brethren," however there were also some difficulties with the isolation of the community, then in the middle of Ontario's wild North.

"There were numerous complaints about the difficulty of travelling to Minden," the report goes on to say. "References were made to '12 miles of drive over one of the worst roads in Ontario' or 'the agony experienced during the 28 mile drive to Minden and return'.

Despite the difficult travel conditions for visiting officials, the Deputy District Grand Masters still made

the trip to Minden on a regular basis to help guide the lodge through its formative years. Their persistence paid off and through their interest and encouragement they helped to ensure the continued growth of the lodge.

The Lodge first met in a room above Hartle's store on Minden's Main Street. During the 1920s, however, the members felt it was time to construct a hall of their own. On June 14, 1929 the dedication of the new lodge was held. It was located on the property overlooking Minden's Main Street adjacent to the present Rockcliffe Tavern.

As membership continued to grow, the premises soon became too small to accommodate the numbers. Coincidentally, the Lodge received an offer to purchase its property and at the same time, the parish hall of the Anglican Church, on Newcastle Street became available. The change in location was not a completely popular move with the 39 members. Perhaps one of the deciding considerations, however, was the fact that the sale price exceeded the cost of purchasing the new location by \$1000.

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The year was 1929 and the new Arcadia Lodge, Number 440 was officially dedicated. Members of the Minden Lodge were joined by dignitaries from throughout the area for the ceremony. The lodge was located at the end of Main Street next to the Valley View Inn, now the Rockcliffe Tavern. While the list of those in attendance has been lost, it is known that the following members of the lodge and visitors were in this photo: Cy Hart, R. McElwain, N. Ball, J. Milburn, G. Sears, V. Grant, G. Train, W. McArthur, G. Cluff, D. McQuarrie, W. Newman, Geo. Ellsworth, M. McKay, W.H.

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The one hundredth anniversary photo of the Arcadia Lodge members standing in front of the building the group has occupied since 1948. Those included in the photo are, from the left, Earl Hewitt and Secretary Don Blakey in front, first row, Ed Taylor, Junior Warden Tim George, Grand Steward Derek Rolfe, Grand Registrar for Ontario Gord Monk, Worshipful Master Bill Stackhouse, District Chaplain Gareth Kellett, Senior Warden Keith Oitment, Junior Steward Dwight Thomas, Immediate Past master

Brian Austen, Senior Steward Peter Brohm, Inner Guard Alf Trotter, Past Grand Steward Hal Burton and Past District Deputy Grand Master Lloyd Johnson. In the back row, Jim Harrison, Harvey McIntosh, Ossie Mark, Ian MacLaughlin, Bruce Conboy, Ralph Kennedy, Dave Stevens, Jim Congdon, Bob Mann, Bob Hurrell, Chaplain Jim Saunders and Ross Ballantyne.

Earl Hewitt: a 60 year member of the Lodge

Not only did 1996 mark the one hundredth anniversary of the Arcadia Lodge, it was also the sixtieth anniversary of Earl Hewitt's membership in the organization. He was initiated on November 27, 1936.

While he has enjoyed being a part of the growth of the Arcadia Lodge, it is the worldwide fellowship that he has found most enriching as a member. "No matter where you are in the world, you will always meet a member of the Masonic Order," Hewitt said. "It is an important part of the wonderful experience of my life."

Hewitt served as Master of the lodge in 1940 and was also District Secretary when fellow Minden resident Lawrence Pritchard served as District Grand Master.

While the lodge is a fraternal order, dedicated to its members, it has also reached out to assist in the community. "We have never done anything in a very public way," he commented, "but over the years the lodge has assisted with such local charitable efforts as helping with Christmas baskets and as-

sisting with the medical costs of children."

Hewitt said the strength of the Minden Lodge can be traced to the dedication of a core group. While these people have changed over the years, the lodge has always benefited from a strong group of dedicated men to ensure its continued existence. He noted that several of today's members travel some distance to be a part of the Arcadia Lodge. He also recalled his own



Earl Hewitt, a member of Minden's Arcadia Lodge for 60 years.

uncle, Albert James Hewitt travelling by

horse and buggy from Boshkung to take part in a Lodge meeting.

"I have enjoyed the fellowship and friendship throughout my 60 years. It has been great," he concludes.

Hewitt's dedication to the Arcadia Lodge was recognized by the organization ten years ago on the occasion of his fiftieth anniversary as a member. On that occasion, he was presented with a life membership. He continues as a stalwart member of the lodge to this day.

Another century begins for Masonic Lodge

(from page 12)

The sale and purchase were concluded and the Arcadia Lodge made its third and final move on November 9, 1948, to its present location, across from the Presbyterian (now United) Church.

"Any lodge that has seen a century of service has had its share of good times and bad times," the historical report on the Minden Lodge points out. "Times when Masonry was flourishing and when it was stagnant." However, the fact that it continues to serve its membership and the community today

is a testament to a steadfast core of members who believed in the principles of the organization and kept its spirit alive.

The report concludes, "The end of one century, only heralds the beginning of another. It is the Masons of today who will usher the Craft into a new millennium, and it is the members of the Arcadia Lodge today who are the embodiment of that original enthusiasm for Masonry which its charter members sought to instill."

For the members of Arcadia Lodge 440, that new century has already begun.

Minden Sled Dog Derby Volunteer Meeting

Tuesday, January 7

The organizational meeting for volunteers for the Minden Sled Dog Derby Committee will be held in the Anson Hindon & Minden municipal office at 7:30 p.m.

~NOTICE~

It is vital that as many volunteers as possible attend this meeting. Changes in the trail and race procedure require an updating of previous instruction.

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Lochlin General Store re-opens

Lochlin residents got an early Christmas present this holiday season.

The Lochlin General Store — a fixture in the region since the days of rail and coal — opened again under new management a few weeks ago.

The venerable facade of the old general store now shelters Morley Leonard, former proprietor of the Maple Lake general store.

Says Leonard, "I'm really happy to be here. This place is just ideal... It's a wonderful old building, and a nice little town."

Leonard's neighbours also seem happy to see him.

Cecilia Brown, who lives next door, has been coming here since the 1940s. She remembers the store when trains stopped here to let off their loads.

Brown looks over the freshly renovated interior — points to where the stove used to be. "I remember the stove," she says. "The men would draw their chairs up around it and play cards. They had the old fashioned long counters they all used to have along here."

"It's nice to have it open, to have somewhere to go around here again," she says.



Morley Leonard, in front of the Lochlin General Store.

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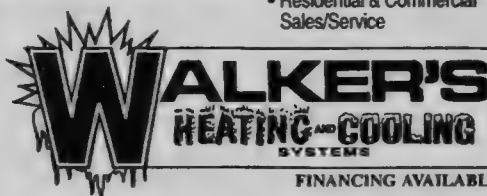
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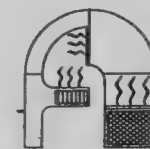


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Tri-County novice Monarchs win three games and tie one

Three wins and a tie were added to the Minden novice B Monarchs' record recently.

A game in Manvers on December 22 saw the Monarchs come home with a 5-1 victory.

Travis Walker got the Monarchs on the scoreboard with the only goal of the first period. Mark Fisher assisted.

Sherri Walker made it 2-0 early in the second frame, scoring an unassisted marker. With just over four minutes left in the period, Mark Fisher notched an unassisted goal to give the Monarchs a 3-0 advantage.

Fisher netted his second goal of the game midway through the third, with assists going to Tyler Anderson and Kody Smith.

Minden netminder J.D. Crowe was less than two and a half minutes away from a shutout when Manvers sniper Matthew Fisher spoiled it with the home team's lone goal.

Mark Fisher retaliated with his third of the

game late in the period to give Minden the 5-1 win. Mac Campbell set up the last goal of the game.

Details of the next two games were unavailable, but the Minden squad downed Little Britain by a 5-2 count on December 28 and skated to a 4-4 draw against Wilberforce in an exhibition game on December 30.

The Monarchs played host to Mariposa Saturday morning, skating to a 3-1 win over the visitors.

Travis Walker scored the only goal of the first period, with 38 seconds remaining.

Mariposa tied the game at the 3:45 mark of the second frame. But before the period was over, Kody Smith scored to put Minden back in front. Mark Fisher assisted.

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OFSC hopes numbering confusion will be cleared up soon

Ontario snowmobilers have reacted positively to reports that the controversy over legal licensing may soon be resolved in their favour.

That was the opinion expressed in a press release from the Ontario Federation of Snowmobile Clubs issued December 31. The press release went on to say, in an open letter to the snowmobilers, dated December 18, Minister of transportation Al Palladini recognized the concerns raised by the snowmobiling community, stating that he has decided "to pursue an amendment to Regulation 804 of the Motorized Snow Vehicles Act" which would "allow the registration number to be displayed either in a customized manner or through the use of the decal provided by the Ministry."

The proposed change results, in part from a lobby effort spearheaded by the Ontario Federation of Snowmobile Clubs with the assistance of many individual snowmobilers and industry representatives. Although custom numbers have been illegal since 1983, their usage has proliferated since the ministry decal has gone largely unenforced until last winter when snowmobilers in several areas suddenly started receiving fines for custom numbers. Until the Minister's letter, it was expected that the enforcement of ministry decals would be even more prevalent this season, but now that may be open to interpretation.

Mr. Palladini's letter further states that "enforcement officers are being advised of the impending change and are being asked to exercise appropriate discretion

with the enforcement of the current provisions." This wording has caused many snowmobilers to jump to the unlikely conclusion that there will be no more fines for custom numbers.

"While we are cautiously optimistic about our progress on this issue and it is certainly moving in the right direction," stated OFSC General Manager Ron Purchase,

"but snowmobilers should be aware that until this amendment actually becomes law, the ministry decal is the only legal way to display snowmobile licence numbers."

This means that depending on the officer and the situation, riding with custom numbers still risks a fine as does improper positioning. As the minister's letter clearly states: "The customized display

must still meet the previous standards which include location, height, stroke width and colour contrast requirements." Previous standards refers to the pre-1983 regulations which stipulated that the rear borders of the numbers must be between 10 and 15 centimetres from the back of the cab on both sides of the machine, that the numbers had to be between 5 and

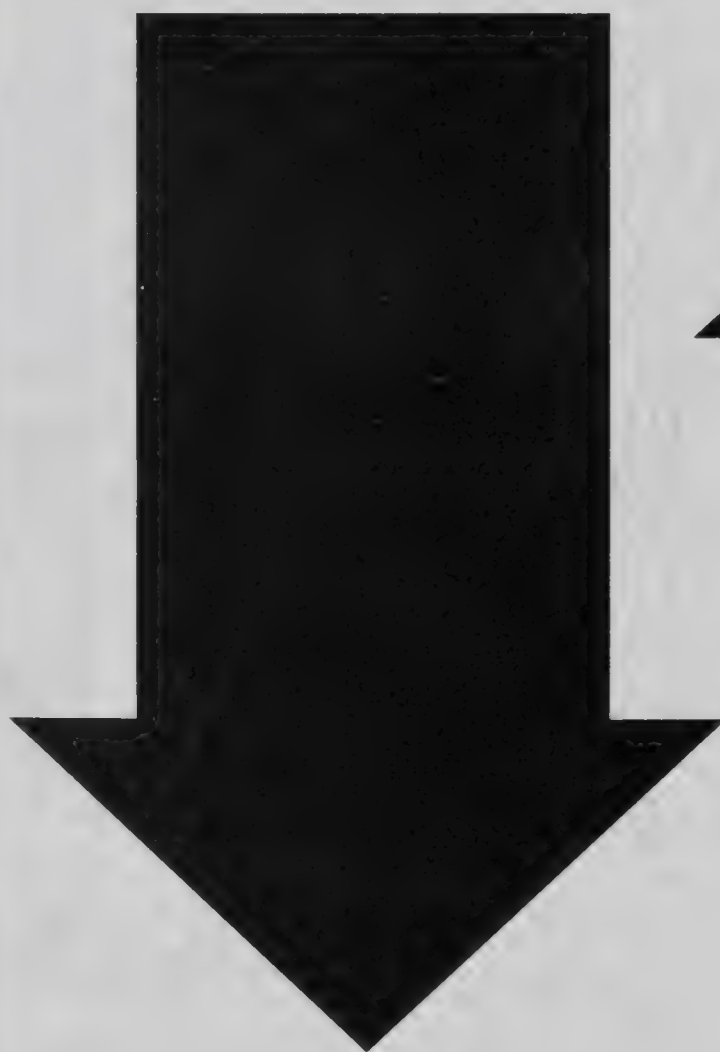
7.6 centimetres high with a brush stroke width between 5 and 13 millimetres, and that the colour of the numbers had to contrast with the background colour of the cab. As with other motor vehicle plates, an annual validation sticker is required to make a snowmobile licence legal each year.

"At this point, our best advice to snowmobilers is to obey the existing law

until it is officially changed," concludes purchase. "We have requested that Mr. Palladini inform the OFSC as soon as the amendment is passed and we will assist in the prompt dissemination of the good news to our members across the province."

(From a press release issued by the Ontario Federations of Snowmobile Clubs.)

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Seniors bid euchre played on Tuesday, December 24 at 1:30 p.m. in the Minden Legion: the high score went to Ida Young, second high to Gladys Wruth and third high to Norm Lee. Hidden score to Marg McAfee. No moonshots were produced. On Tuesday, December 31 Gladys Wruth had the high score followed by Norm Lee and Ellie Langpohl. Shirley Elcome had the hidden score and the only moonshot.

Euchre played on Thursday, December 19 in the Minden Legion (they start at 7:15 p.m.) produced the following winners: Pat and Marcel Roussel -- most lone hands; Jean Scadden and Orvil Francis -- high

scores; Helen Skelding and Jeanne Sears -- low scores. Marg McAfee, Howard Smith and Murray MacKinnon also received prizes. Games played on January 2 of the new year yielded the following results: most lone hands for the ladies Jackie Taylor; most lone hands, men, Bill Mitchell; high score, ladies Grace Dixon; high score men, Earl Hayne; low lady Helen Skelding; low man Herbie Taylor; and other prizes May Bradbury, Jane Bradbury and Marjories Coulter.

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Elizabeth.

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O'NEILL, William

Passed away at Extendercare,
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26, 1996 in his 78th
year. Beloved husband of Angela
O'Neill of Minden. Dear father
of Brian of Hamilton, Kevin of
Burlington. Loving grandfather
of Alison, Sean, Shannon and
Brenda. Dear brother of Alex of
Bo'ness, Scotland and James of
Dundee, Scotland.
A Memorial Service will be held
at the Royal Canadian Legion
Branch 636 Minden on Tuesday,
January 7, 1997 at 1:30
p.m. Memorial Donations to the
Alzheimer's Society, Cancer
Research Foundation or to the
Legion Building Fund would be
appreciated by the family. Arrangements
entrusted to the
Gordon A. Monk Funeral Home,
127 Main Street, Minden.

BATE, M. Jeanette L.

Suddenly at the Haliburton Hospital
on Wednesday, January 1,
1997 in her 82nd year.
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B. Bate. Dear sister of Lyla
Harrison, Frank Chambers,
Jamie Chambers, William (Bill)
Chambers, Margaret Allcorn
and predeceased by Murray
Chambers. Fondly remembered
by her many nieces and nephews.
Family and friends visited at the
Gordon A. Monk Funeral Home,
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2-4 and 7-9 p.m. Sunday. Funeral
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of Garnet Stewart of Victoria,
B.C. and stepfather of Jim and
his wife Vivian Trumbull of
Oakwood. Loving grandfather
of Stephen and Sherry, both of
Oakwood. Dear brother of
Beatrice, Dorothy, Garnet,
Lloyd and Lorne. Predeceased
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Kenneth D. and his wife Betty
of Aurora, Louise E. and her
husband John Denny of
Minden. Stepfather of Brian R.
Eldridge of Barrie. Grandfather
of Peter, Lawrence, Robert,
Mark, Sharlene, David,
Kathryn, William, Patricia,
Robert, Sarah, Emily, Jesi and
great grandfather of twenty
great-grandchildren. Predeceased
by sisters Mary,
Georgina, Laura, Effie and Ella.
Friends and family visited at the
Gordon A. Monk Funeral Home,
127 Main Street, Minden from
7-9 p.m. Saturday. Then to the
Ingoldsby United Church for
Funeral Service on Sunday,
January 5, 1997 at 3 p.m. Spring
Interment Ingoldsby Cemetery.
Memorial Donations to the Cancer
Society or to the Ingoldsby
United Church would be appreciated
by the family. A Masonic
Service was held at the Funeral
Home on Saturday at 7:30 p.m.

AT REST

BROWN, Daisy Edna

Peacefully at Bon Air Nursing
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1997. Daisy, beloved wife of the
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Beverly, Wanda and her husband
Peter Stover and Dan and
his wife Kimberly. Loving grandmother
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Dear sister of Marjorie Dion.
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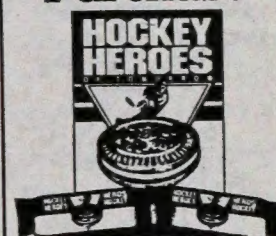
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